

# TODAY'S YOUTH

### "MAKING A DIFFERENCE"





A Town of Lancaster Youth Bureau newsletter for young people interested in "making a difference" in the Lancaster-Depew Community.

#### GETTING TO KNOW THE TOWN OF LANCASTER YOUTH BUREAU...

The Lancaster Youth Bureau has served the youth and families of the Lancaster-Depew Community for forty four years.

The Bureau's mission is to provide opportunities for all youth to become caring, responsible, healthy and contributing members of our community.

The Bureau is located at:

200 Oxford Avenue, Lancaster, New York 14086.

Phone: 683-4444 Fax: 683-4447

**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Certain events and programs take place during scheduled evening hours or weekends.

Staff: John Trojanowsky, Executive Director (ext. 202)

Adrianne Graber, Secretary (ext. 201)

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#### Dear Volunteers:

October is a very busy month for the Youth Bureau. We are starting our Health and Wellness Program, Three Year Old Playgroup Classes, Youth Court Trainings, and many other wonderful activities!!

Remember...for those volunteers who would like to join the Youth Court Program the dead-line for applications is October 14, 2015! Training begins Thursday, October 22, 2015!!!!!!!





# October 2015



To sign up for one of the activities listed below please call 683-4444, ext. 207.

Volunteers must volunteer on a regular basis in order to stay a member of the Teen Volunteer Program. If a volunteer is inactive for over 6 months their name will be removed from the mailing list.

ACTIVITY: Ushering at the Lancaster Opera House

**DATE:** Varies

**TIME:** Listed below for each show.

PLACE: Lancaster Opera House, 21 Central Ave., Lancaster

**DESCRIPTION:** Ushering. You must call the YB to sign up for ushering. If you can't make a performance it is your

responsibility to call the Opera House at 683-1776 and me to let us know you will not be there. The time listed below is an hour before curtain up. During this time you will be assisting patrons to their seats. \*Please stay out of the kitchen during the intermission unless you are asked to help out. After the performance you will be picking up the left over programs and helping out as needed. The head usher can sign your hours book. Remember that the ending times are only estimated. You may need to call your

parents for a ride home earlier than the listed time.



#### \*Dress Code Guidelines for Ushering:

Wear navy/black slacks/skirt, WHITE shirt/blouse, and dress shoes. Ties are optional for the gentlemen.

This is NOT a place to wear sneakers, sandals, sweats, jeans or shirts that show your mid-drift. If you

want to usher it is mandatory that you wear your ushering uniform!

Note: The Lancaster Opera House has requested only two ushers per performance.

Any volunteer who shows up to usher and is NOT signed-up will not receive volunteer credit!

#### "Tom Jones and Bobby Darin Tribute"

From the opening song of "Love Me Tonight" to "What's New Pussycat," "Green Green Grass of Home," and a spectacular "Its Not Unusual" and "Delilah" ending, Dave La Fame returns to the Lancaster Opera House with his award winning Tom Jones "Tribute of the Year in Las Vegas 2013 show. And...with iconic renditions of "Splish-Splash," "Dream Lover," "Beyond the Sea," and "Mack the Knife," he also brings to the stage the multitalented Bobby Darin. It's pure Las Vegas International Stage entertainment! Experience the very essence of Tom Jones and Bobby Darin, as Dave La Fame performs a tribute to them both!

Saturday, October 3.......6:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.





#### "Detention of the Damned" A Musical

For many people, the years spent in high school aren't a pleasant time. But for these five high school students, things are about to get much worse. Why?

- A) They're stuck in detention
- B) Their school is overrun by Zombies
- C) All of the above

Correct Answer: C, Filled with action, horror, humor, and music, this is a one-act original high school zombie musical. \*On Saturday, October 10, Central Avenue in the Village of Lancaster turns into "Zombieville." Make a night of it, and join us for one of our showings of this live zombie musical.

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Friday, October 9........6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Friday, October 9.......8:30 p.m. — 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 10...4:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 10...7:30 p.m. — 10:30 p.m.
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#### "The Bad Seed"

The Bad Seed brings to mind the nursery rhyme about the little girl with the little curl: "When she was good, she was very, very good – and when she was bad, she was horrid." In Maxwell Anderson's old fashioned suspense melodrama, an anguished mother tries to cope with the painful discovery that her perfectly behaved eight-year-old may be capable of cold-blooded murder.

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Friday, October 16.......6:30 p.m. — 9:15 p.m
Saturday, October 17.....6:30 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Sunday, October 18......1:30 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.
Thursday, October 22....6:30 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Friday, October 23......6:30 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Saturday, October 24.....6:30 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.
Sunday, October 25.....1:30 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.
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#### "Halloween Horror Party"

Join us for an encore presentation of Detention of the Damned, a one-act original high school zombie musical filled with action, horror, humor, and music, followed by a showing of the cult classic 1968 zombie film Night of the Living Dead!

Friday, October 30......6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

#### "Halloween Dance Party with the Bobby Lebel Orchestra"

"High-energy swing with a rock n' roll edge" are the words that best describe the music and showmanship of the Bobby Lebel Orchestra-BLO. The stage show includes a fun, danceable, mix of originals, select covers, and onstage antics that harken back to the days of the 1930's big band era, 1950's sock hops, and on through the 1990's, all in celebration of great American music. Costume contest with prizes donated by LOH sponsors and business.

Saturday, October 31.......7:00 p.m. — 9:15 p.m.



**ACTIVITY:** Hospice "Comfort Cafe" DAYS/TIME: **Saturdays:** 12:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m.

**Sundays:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: The Center for Hospice & Palliative Care, 225 Como Park Blvd., Cheektowaga

**DESCRIPTION:** Hospice is looking for volunteers who are <u>responsible</u>, <u>dependable</u>, <u>caring and friendly</u>. In an

ongoing effort to meet the needs of families, visitors, residents, and staff, the Bistro at Hospice will be opened on the weekends. Hospice needs volunteers to run the Bistro. Volunteers will be responsible

for opening, stocking the Bistro with prepared food, making coffee, serve/charge patrons, transportation of food to kitchen, clean up and locking up kitchen. If you are interested in

volunteering at Hospice you MUST join their C.H.A.T. Program. The C.H.A.T. Program is their volunteer program for youth!! This REQUIRES an application process and training! If you are interested in this activity or becoming a member of Hospice's volunteer program, please contact Char Beyers at cbeyers@palliativecare.org or 989-2024. If you volunteer for an activity make sure you <u>contact me so I can record your hours.</u> There will be no Youth Bureau Staff supervision at this activity.

You must supply your own transportation.

**ACTIVITY:** The Lancaster Market!

**DATES:** Every Sunday until October 25th!

9:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. TIME:

PLACE: Lancaster Lanes Parking Lot, 4913 Transit Rd, Depew 14043

**DESCRIPTION:** The mission of the Lancaster Village Market is to provide a variety of high quality, locally

grown food and handcrafted products to Lancaster and its neighbors. Different events are being held

every weekend including music and activities for all! You can check out the different events on www.lancastervillagemarket.com. Volunteers are needed to help vendors, supervise children activities, be runners, help with the food stands and other operational tasks. There will be no youth bureau staff supervision at this activity please report to Ann Jordan for instructions. You must provide your own transportation. If you are interested in this activity please call Mrs. Ann Jordan to schedule days and

times at 481-2961. If you volunteer for this activity please let me know so I can record your hours!

**ACTIVITY: Band Shell Concert!** 

Sunday, September 27, 2015! DATE:

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. TIME:

Lancaster Youth Bureau, 200 Oxford Ave., Lancaster PLACE:

**DESCRIPTION:** We are looking for <u>3</u> volunteers who are responsible, outgoing and who love music! Volunteers will

be selling refreshments and snacks to people who come to listen to Lancaster High School's Symphonic Band! Volunteers will also help with set up and clean up. You must provide your

own transportation.

**ACTIVITY:** J.A. Sciole's Book Fair and Ice Cream Social!

**DATES:** Tuesday, October 6, 2015 TIMES: 5:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

J.A Sciole Elementary School, 86 Alys Drive East, Lancaster **PLACE:** 

**DESCRIPTION**: Help make Back to School fun with this activity! J.A. Sciole is looking for six responsible and

energetic volunteers who love children! Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, the book fair and

serving ice cream! There will be no Youth Bureau staff present at this activity. Please report to Mrs. Vicki Fox or Tinan Mendez for instructions. You must supply your own transportation.

**ACTIVITY:** St. Elizabeth's Bingo!

**DATES/TIMES:** Wednesday, October 7, 2015 **TIME:** 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

> Monday, October 26, 2015 **TIME:** 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** St. Elizabeth's Home for the Aged, 5539 Broadway, Lancaster

**DESCRIPTION:** We will be playing B-I-N-G-O! We will be assisting those who need help, calling the numbers

and handing out prizes. Meet in the activity room at St. Elizabeth's. You must supply your own

Transportation.

ACTIVITY: <u>Hillview Elementary's Ice-Cream Social!</u>

**DATE:** Thursday, October 8, 2015 **TIME:** 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

PLACE: Hillview Elementary School, 6401 Transit Rd., Lancaster.

**DESCRIPTION:** Help make this Ice-Cream Social a success! Hillview is looking for six responsible and

energetic volunteers who love children! Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, serving ice cream,

and clean-up! There will be no Youth Bureau staff present at this activity. Please report to Mrs. Kristine Kamath for instructions. You must supply your own transportation.

ACTIVITY: St. Vincent De Paul Society- Soup Kitchen

**DATE:** Saturday, October 10, 2015 **TIME:** 8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: St. Vincent De Paul Society, 1298 Main Street, Buffalo

**DESCRIPTION:** In March of 1982 some members of the Society opened their doors to feed three needy guests. By the

end of that year, the Society had served more than 12,000 meals. Ten years later, the Dining Room of the St. Vincent De Paul Society was serving over 100,000 meals a year. Volunteers who are 14 years and older are invited to help out in the Dinning Room. We are looking for <u>3</u> Volunteers who are helpful, responsible, and compassionate. Volunteers will help prepare and serve food to the homeless as well as clean-up. <u>Please bring a baseball cap or you will be required to wear a hair net. DRESS CODE:</u> <u>sneakers or shoes- no sandals, pants- no shorts/skirts, Do Not Wear anything that is form fitting- no bare mid-drifts, displays of undergarments, or low cut shirts.</u> Please be at the Lancaster Youth Bureau

at 8:45 sharp and have your parents pick you up at the Youth Bureau at 1:00.

ACTIVITY: "A Walk to Remember" WNY Perinatal Bereavement Network!!

**DATE:** Sunday, October 11, 2015 **TIME:** 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: Cheektowaga Town Park, 500 Losson Road, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

**DESCRIPTION:** This event is held in October to help celebrate Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month.

Throughout the nation, parents, family members, friends and healthcare professionals gather to pay tribute to the approximately 870,000 babies who die each year due to a variety of reasons. For the parents who have experienced perinatal loss, this event is an opportunity to listen to beautiful songs and poems, plant a tree, and come together with other parents to remember their beloved children. This event hosts over 700 people annually. Volunteers are needed to help out in the Kid Zone,

supervising games, face-painting, and crafts. Please be at the Youth Bureau at 9:30 a.m.. <u>Transportation</u> will be provided to the activity and then back to the Lancaster Youth Bureau, you will need your

parents to pick you up at 2:30 p.m. at the YB.

ACTIVITY: Food Bank of Western New York
DATE: Wednesday, October 14, 2015

TIME: 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
PLACE: 91 Holt Street, Buffalo NY

**DESCRIPTION:** Volunteers must be 16 years and older to attend this activity. We will help sort and package food

items in the warehouse at the Food Bank. The Food Bank would like volunteers to wear orange this month if you have it, in support of the WNY Food Bank and to help spread awareness! **Please dress in comfortable clothing, sandals and shorts are not allowed.** Please be at the Youth Bureau by 2:30 p.m. sharp or YB staff will be picking up volunteers from DHS at 2:45 p.m. and LHS at 3:00 p.m.. When you call please indicate whether or not you will need to be picked up at DHS or LHS. Transportation will be provided home afterwards.



ACTIVITY: <u>Terrace View "An Evening of Entertainment"</u>

**DATES:** Thursday, October 15, 2015

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

PLACE: 462 Grider Street, Buffalo, NY, 14215

**DESCRIPTION:** Come out and socialize with the residents of Terrace View! We are looking for volunteers

who are friendly, outgoing and who would love to spend some time with the residents. We

will help transport residents to and from the activity room and pass out refreshments, while enjoying some live entertainment! Please be at the Youth Bureau by 6:00 p.m.. <u>Transportation will be provided</u> to Terrace View and then back to the **Youth Bureau**. Please have your parents pick you up at 8:45 p.m.

at the YB!

**ACTIVITY:** Linwood Bingo

**DATE:** Monday, October 19, 2015 **TIME:** 6:40 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

PLACE: Linwood Health Care Center, 1818 Como Park Boulevard, Lancaster

**DESCRIPTION:** Bingo. Volunteers will help transport residents to and from the game room, assist those who need

help playing the game, socialize, etc., as needed. There will be no Youth Bureau Staff supervision at this

<u>activity</u>, please report to the activities director for instructions. You must supply your own transportation. <u>NEW REQUIRMENTS FOR LINWOOD BINGO...IN ORDER FOR YOU TO VOLUNTEER FOR LINWOOD HEALTHCARE FACILITY</u>, YOU MUST FILL OUT AN

APPLICATION WITH THEM AND HAVE PROOF OF A MEDICAL EXAM, FLU SHOT (or will

have to wear a mask), AND A PPD TEST (The tuberculosis skin test).

ACTIVITY: Hillview Elementary School PTO Childcare!

**DATE:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 **TIME:** 3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

PLACE: Hillview Elementary School, 6401 Transit Rd., Lancaster.

**DESCRIPTION:** We need 3 responsible volunteers to assist with childcare while parents are in a meeting. There

will be no Youth Bureau staff present at this activity! Please report to the foyer and see

Mrs. Kristi Perillo-Okeke for instructions at this activity. You must supply your own transportation.

ACTIVITY: <u>Craft Day at the Lancaster Library</u> DATE: Wednesday, October 21, 2015

**TIME:** 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Lancaster Library, 5466 Broadway, Lancaster

**DESCRIPTION:** We will be hosting a craft day at the library making "Halloween" related crafts with children

between the ages of 5-12 years old. If you like working with children or making crafts we could use

your help. You must supply your own transportation.

ACTIVITY: J.A. Sciole's Fall Festival! DATES: Friday, October 23, 2015

TIMES: SET-UP: 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. EVENT: 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. PLACE: J.A Sciole Elementary School, 86 Alys Drive East, Lancaster

**DESCRIPTION**: Help make Fall fun with this activity! J.A. Sciole is looking for responsible and energetic

volunteers who love children! For <u>SET-UP</u>, volunteers are needed to help decorate the hallways and the cafeteria!! For the <u>EVENT</u> volunteers are needed for handing out candy for trick or treating, games, crowd control, and clean-up. There will be no Youth Bureau staff present at this activity. Please report to Mrs. Vicki Fox or Tinan Mendez for instructions. You must supply your own transportation.



ACTIVITY: <u>Court Street "Haunted Hallways" Event!</u>

**DATES:** Friday, October 23, 2015 **TIME:** 6:00 p.m.- 8:45 p.m.

PLACE: Court Street Elementary School, 91 Court Street, Lancaster

DESCRIPTION: Trick or Treat! Volunteers are needed to help out at this fun Halloween Party for students attending

Court Street Elementary. Volunteers will pass out candy, supervise the dance, games, and other operational tasks. Volunteers can show their Halloween Spirit by wearing costumes but they are not required. Please no scary or inappropriate costumes since you will be working with small children. There will be no YB supervision at this event, please see Mrs. Amy Jackson for instructions. You

must supply your own transportation.

ACTIVITY: TRICK or TREAT NIGHT at Terrace View!

**DATE:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 **TIME:** 5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

PLACE: 462 Grider Street, Buffalo, NY, 14215

**DESCRIPTION:** If you like working with the Terrace View residents and <u>children</u> we can use your help! Terrace View

opens their doors to over 100 children so they can trick or treat! We are looking for volunteers who are outgoing, friendly, caring and who love Halloween! <u>Volunteers can show their Halloween spirit</u> <u>by dressing up in a costume!</u> Volunteers will help with games, face painting, handing out goodies, and other operational tasks. <u>Transportation will be provided to Terrace View and then back to the **Youth**</u>

Bureau. Please have your parents pick you up at 8:45 p.m. at the YB!



# Save The Date

Lancaster-Depew Youth Court & Community Sanctions Program



Are you a high school student interested in the Criminal Justice System or making a difference in our community?

The Lancaster-Depew Youth Court and Community Sanctions Program is looking for high school students to serve as prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges, clerks/bailiffs, or even just sit on the jury for our Youth Court Hearings!

Training will begin on Thursday, October 22, 2015.

Deadline for all applications is October 14, 2015.

As a Youth Court member you will be allowed the privilege of dealing with your peers in a positive manner by issuing constructive and rehabilitative consequences when an individual commits a crime or an offense.

You will learn everything you need to know through the training to participate in a hearing (no previous knowledge is necessary).

Anyone who becomes a member of the Youth Court Program will receive volunteer credit as they participate!

Please contact Mrs. Mindy Muench if you are interested in becoming a member of Youth Court, 683-4444, ext. 207.

# What is Youth Court?

Youth Court is a voluntary alternative to the criminal justice system for young people who have committed a crime or an offense.

The goal of Youth Court is to intervene in early anti-social, delinquent and criminal behavior, and to reduce the incidence and prevent the escalation of such behavior.

Youth Court strives to promote feelings of self esteem, a desire for self improvement, and to foster a healthy attitude toward rules and authority.

Youth Court also offers a law-related education program for young people who seek to become members of the court.

# **What Happens in Youth Court?**

A youth, who has admitted guilt to a crime or an offense, appears for a sentencing hearing before a jury of peers (volunteers). The jury is presented with evidence, deliberates and passes sentence. Sentences typically include community service and lifeskills education and counseling.

# Who Participates in Youth Court Proceedings?

Youth Court proceedings involve an offender, jurors, and members in the roles of judge, prosecutor, defender, clerk/bailiff, and jury foreperson.

Each of these individuals is a student attending Lancaster, Depew and area High Schools.

An adult serves as Coordinator to oversee the operation of the court.

## What Types of Cases are Heard in Youth Court?

Cases are generally referred by the police, probation department, local courts and schools.

Typical cases that may be heard in Youth Court include petit larceny,
unlawful possession of marijuana and vandalism.

Youth Court currently processes misdemeanors and violations under New York Sate Penal Law in addition to school offenses such as truancy and smoking.

For More Information on Youth Court,
Please Call Mindy Muench at 683-4444, ext. 207



# October 2015



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